

Fifty cents to pay
for advertise-
ment.
Place of sale.

When to be sold.

If no bid enough
to pay taxes, to
be bought for
city.

If not enough bid
to pay taxes
when land sold in
parcels, then
must be sold as a
whole.

If bid not enough
then, to be
bought for city.

City to own in
fee simple, unless
land redeemed.

Tax collector to
make report to
board of alder-
men.
Report, what to
contain.

Clerk of board to
enter report on
minute-book.

Treasurer to pay
surplus to owner.

Real estate may
be redeemed in
one year.

Redemption to
be as in state and
county.

thereof as shall be required to pay said taxes and all expenses attendant thereon, together with all penalties; and if such real estate shall not be so divided he shall sell the whole. For every piece of real estate or part thereof so advertised said tax collector shall also collect, in the same manner as such taxes, the sum of fifty cents to defray the expenses of such advertisement. All such sales shall be made at the court house door of said county of Buncombe, at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, upon any day of the month or week, except Sunday or a legal holiday; and if no person will bid enough to pay such taxes, penalties and expenses in case such real estate is sold without such division, said tax collector shall bid on behalf of said city the amount of said taxes, penalties and expenses, and if no higher bid shall be made, the same shall be struck off to said city; and if no person will bid an amount or amounts, in case said land is sold in parcels, sufficient in the aggregate to pay such taxes, penalties and expenses, such real estate shall be then immediately sold as a whole, and if no person will bid enough for the whole to pay said taxes, penalties and expenses, said tax collector shall bid for the whole on behalf of said city the amount of said taxes, penalties and expenses, and if no higher bid shall be made, the same shall be struck off to said city; and in all cases where real estate shall be struck off to said city as herein provided it shall belong to said city in fee simple, unless redeemed in the manner prescribed by law or this charter. Said tax collector shall immediately thereafter return to the board of aldermen of said city, by filing the same with the clerk of said board, a statement of his proceedings, showing the purchaser or purchasers of such real estate, and the amounts for which each piece or part thereof was sold, which shall be entered by the clerk of said board upon the minute-book of said board of aldermen, and if there shall be a surplus after paying said taxes, penalties and expenses, the same shall be paid to the treasurer of said city, subject to the demand of the person entitled to the same.

SEC. 52. The owner of any real estate or interest therein sold as aforesaid, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, may redeem the same within one year after the sale, upon the same terms and conditions and subject to the same provisos and in the same manner as are prescribed by law for the redemption of real estate sold for state and county taxes, except that all the duties, functions and powers provided in such law to be discharged and exercised by the sheriff or tax collector shall be discharged and exercised by the tax collector of said city.